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I.C.P.O. Bulletin (Sepember 18-26, 2008)
"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
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18/09/2008: Seven hams are going to Madagascar and will be QRV from a location near near Ambodifototra, Ile Sainte Marie [Nosy Boraha] (AF-090, WLOTA LH-0491, WW Loc. LH42WX) between September 18-27. Team members include Jack/F1BCS, Jim/F1HDI, Gil/F5JBE, Remy/F6ABJ, Michel/F6COW, Oliver/F6EIE and Dan/F6EPD. Activity is scheduled from 160-6 meters, using SSB, CW, SSTV, PSK31, RTTY and JT65 modes. SSB near the IOTA frequencies. They will use the following call signs: 5R8GM for SSB, 5R8IM for digital modes, 5R8JM for CW and 5R8EM for EME (144, 114Mhz, CW and JT65). QSL all calls via F1BCS. [F5NQL]

18/09/2008: OJ0B QRV from September 18-29th from Market Reef (EU-053, WLH OH0-001, WLOL MAR-001, WLOTA LH-0542). Pertti/OH2PM, Ilmo/OH2BO, Henry/OH3JR, and Lars/OH0RJ will attempt a landing this early Friday morning. They will run two Yaesu FT-1000MPs and Alpha 91B amplifiers. They have built a special array for 160m, hoping for some early propagation into the United States. Also, they will run a SteppIR beam, a Butternut HF-2V and an assortment of wires. During this coming weekend, Pertti OH2PM will be running the Scandinavian Activity Contest (CW single-op all-band), and the following weekend the same thing on SSB www.sk3bg.se/contest/sacnsc.htm. It will be the 50th Anniversary Scandinavian Activity Contest, with a special offering of diplomas by the Swedish organizers. A special SAC 50th Anniversary Home Page is launched at www.qrq.se/sac/ . During the two contest periods, the other station will be exclusively on 160m as well as on the WARC bands. QSL via OH2BH. [OH2BH]

19/09/2008: Naoyuki, JK1FNL will be active September 19-24th from Malta (EU-023, WLOTA LH-1113). Requested call signs 9H3F or 9H3FF. He plans to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 40, 30 and 20 meters. QSL via home call. [425 DX News]

19/09/2008: Haugseth/LA7WCA (JW7WCA), Terje/LA8BCA (JW8BCA) and Tom/LB9UE (JW/LB9UE) will be active from Spitsbergen Island (EU-026, WLOTA LH-0125) from September 19-26th. QRV on 160-10m, mainly SSB, with some CW. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

19/09/2008: Reg, VE7IG will be visiting and operating from La Madeleine Islands (NA-038, VE7IG/2), Miscou Island (NA-068, CIsA NB-002, VE7IG/9) and Cape Breton Island (NA-010, CIsA NS-001, CK7IG/1) between September 19th and the end of October. He might go also to Prince Edward Island (NA-029, CIsA PE-001, VE7IG/VY2). [425 DX News]

20/09/2008: Operators G3ZAY, M0HSW and M0SKI will be active September 20-21st as CT/homecall from the island of Barreta (IOTA EU-145, AL-003 for the Portuguese Islands Award). QSL via home calls. [rsgbiota.org]

20/09/2008: Juan, F5IRC will be active September 20th as F5IRC/p from the Aieul Mill (DMF 76-020), located in the commune Veules les Roses (CP

76980), Department Seine-Maritime/76 and Province Haute-Normandie (DPF 11). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [F5IRC]

20/09/2008: The Radio Club Varennois (F5KEK) will be active September 20th as F5KEK/p from the Castle of Royer (DFCF 03-074), commune of St G?rand de Vaux (CP 03340), Department Allier/03 and Province Auvergne (DPF 03). QRV 3.703 (+/-), 7.060 (+/-) MHz SSB. QSL direct or bureau to F5KEK. [F1SVV]

20/09/2008: Bernard, F5LMW/p will be active September 20th from the Castle of La Raudiere (DFCF 86-046), located in the commune of B?ruges (CP 86190), canton of Vouille (DDCF 86-30), Department Vienne/86 and Province Poitou-Charentes (DPF 19). QRV on 80 and 40 meters. QSL via home call, direct or by the bureau. [Radioamateur.org]

20/09/2008: A group of operators from the Mediterraneo DX Club (namely Francesco/IK8LTB, Vitaliano/IW8PWO, Antonio/IZ8CCW, Massimiliano/IZ8EPY, Maurizio/IZ8GBQ, Leopoldo/IZ8HXG, Pasquale/IZ8IYX and Domenico/IZ8JAI) will be active as IQ8MD/p from Dino Island (IOTA EU-144, IIA CS-002, MIA MI-021), September 20-21st. They will operate SSB, RTTY and some CW with three stations on 10-80 meters. Some of the operators are new to pile-ups, so please be patient! All of the contacts will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards should be sent to IZ8BGY. The web pages for the operation can be found at www.mdxc.org/eu144 [425 DX News]

20/09/2008: Ray, K7RFW plans to be active September 20th from Antelope Island (not IOTA, USi UT-001L, Davis County), Utah. This will be worked in conjunction with the Antelope Island Balloon Festival where he will be working with their local ARES team so it will be a sporadic operation depending on weather and activities. Ray will try to be operating around 14.340 MHz where he hopes the contesters and such will not be. QSL K7RFW via SASE, LoTW, USi eQSL, and/or bureau (eQSL.CC will be loaded also). His wife controls the stamps, so no SASE may mean no return QSL. [USi]

20/09/2008: Tomi, OH6EI will be active from Mariehamn, Aland Island (EU-002, WLOTA LH-1373, WW Loc. JP90XI) as OH0Z during the SAC CW Contest (September 20-21st), as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via W0MM, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

20/09/2008: Naito, JF2IWW will be active as T88IW from the rental shack on Koror Island, Palau Islands (OC-009), between September 20-28th. QRV 80m-6m CW and SSB, plus satellite. QSL via home call. [NG3K]

20/09/2008: Loof for UA1OEJ to be active from Solovetsky Kreml (Russian Castles Award reference RC-089), September 20-21st. QSL via operator's instuctions. [RN1CR]

21/09/2008: Gab, SU8BHI will be active with his new license from Morocco as CN2IPA between September 21st and October 5th, including an entry in the CQ WW RTTY DX Contest (September 27-28th). He will be QRV on the HF bands using CW, RTTY, PSK, SSTV and some SSB. The QSL card is valid for the I.P.A AWARD and DXCC. QSL via HA3JB (Gabor Kutasi, H-8601 Siofok, P.O. Box 243, Hungary, Europe). [NG3K]

21/09/2008: If the weather permits, Helmut/DL5DSM and Matthias/DL4ML will sign EJ/DL5DSM from Great Blasket (EU-007), Ireland, for some hours between 1000z and 1530z on September 21st. QRV with 100W only, 20 meter operation prefered. QSL via home call. [DL5DSM]

21/09/2008: Freddy, F5IRO has got a new assignment in Martinique (IOTA NA-107, DIFO FM-001, WLOTA LH-1041) where he is expected from September 21st to the end of February 2009. His call sign is not known yet, but will certainly be: FM/F5IRO. He will work usually at his spare time, in the evening starting 2200 UTC, and during the week ends. As propagation permits, he will use his FT857D on 40, 30 and 20m into V40 and G5RV (HM) antennas. Modes will be mostly CW and digital, with some SSB. Freddy and Philippe/FM5LD plan to enter the next CQWW CW Contest, at the end of November. Call sign and Class to be announced. For all Freddy's activity, QSL direct or via the bureau. He will reply to all QSLs when he returns home, at the begining of March 2009. [F5NQL]

21/09/2008: Kurt/ON4CB, Peter/ON6HP and Fran?ois/ON4LO will be active September 21st for the Belgian Mills Award Contest, using the call sign ON4CB/p from Schelde Mill (reference WIM 9045), located in Ville Doel (CP 9310). QRV on 80 and 40 meter SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [UBA HF News]

21/09/2008: UBA section HRT will be active in the BMA Contest on September 21st as ON4HRT/p from the Hoogbuul Mill (reference WIM 2034, WW Loc. JO21KD), located in Ville Olen (CP 2250). Activity will be on 80/40m SSB, 2m SSB and FM. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [UBA HF News]

21/09/2008: UBA section WRC will be active in the BMA (Belgian Mills Award) Contest (September 21st) as ON4WRC/p from Preetjes Mill (reference WIM 8018), located in Ville Heule (CP 8501). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [UBA HF News]

21/09/2008: Philippe/ON5PV and Bruno/ON7ZB will be active in the BMA (Belgian Mills Award) Contest on September 21st using their homecall/p from the Tiege Mill (reference WIM 1009), Ville Nil-Saint-Vincent (CP 1457), West Brabant Province. QRV 80 and 40 meter SSB from 0600-1000 UTC. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [F5NQL]

21/09/2008: UBA section OSA will be active as ON7DS/p from 0700 and 1100 UTC on September 21st from the Van 't Heiken Mill (reference WIM 2001), located in Ville Aartselaar (CP 2630). Operators include Raf/ON5RZ, Ronny/ON3RON, Fons/ON4AWT and Dirk/ON7DS. QSL via home call. [UBA HF News]

21/09/2008: Look for Patrick, ON8PH/p to be QRV September 21st from the Dorper Mill (reference WAM 3075), located in Ville Opoeteren (CP 3680). Activity will be on 80 meters QSL via home call. [UBA HF News]

22/09/2008: Arno, DL1CW is currently active as 5H3AP from Tanzania. Length of stay is unknown. Between September 22nd and October 1st he will go and operate CW and RTTY from Mafia Island (AF-054). QSL via home call, preferably via the DARC bureau. [425 DX News]

22/09/2008: Mark, M0DXR reports that he is going to hit the airwaves as 8Q7XR from September 22nd until October 5th. Mark and his XYL Gemma, 2E0WPX plan to marry on September 20th and they will spend their honeymoon on the Maldive Islands (AS-013). Both will work in CW and SSB on 40m-10m using an IC-7000 and a G5RV dipole. QSL direct or via bureau to M0DXR. [DX Newsletter]

22/09/2008: The Sands Contest Group (M0SCG) will be operational as MS0SCG from the Isle of Jura (IOSA NH21, SCOTIA CS28), Inner Hebrides (EU-008), September 22-29th. The location will be Jura House on the edge

of the island. They are working in collaboration with Workington ARS and will have a minimum of 10 operators. The group hopes to run 3-4 stations: 1 on 20 and/or 15m SSB, 1 on 17m DIGI/CW, 1-2 on 80/40/160m and 1 on 6m. Further information at: m0scg.blogspot.com/ [M0SCG]

23/09/2008: Sigi DL7DF and Crew will be QRV from the Sedia Riverside Hotel in Maun, Botswana, between September 23rd and October 6th. The call sign will be A25/DL7DF. They will be active with several stations on 160m through 10m on CW, SSB. One station will be exclusively dedicated to RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. The team members mentioned are Manfred/DK1BT, Wolf/DL4WK, Andy/DL5CW, Sigi/DL7DF and xyl Sabine, Frank/DL7UFR and Leszek/SP3DOI. Equipment will consist of 4 transceivers (2 x K2, 1 x IC-735, 1 x IC-7000), 3 x kW linears, 3 x 18m Lowband Vertical, a 4 square for 40m, a 4 square for 30m, a Hexbeam for 20/17/15/12/10m, a Spiderbeam for 20/17/15/12/10m, some Beverage antennas as well as some laptop computers. Pilots for this DXpedition are Bernd, DF3CB and Floyd, N5FG. QSL via DL7DF, direct or by the bureau. [DJ7UC]

23/09/2008: JA1YUC/1 plans to be active from Uki Island (AS-117, JIIA AS-117-010), JA1 Chiba Prefecture, on September 23rd. QRV all HF bands, SSB and CW. QSL via home call, direct (Tokyo Dental College A.R.C, 1-2-2 Masago, Mihamaku, Chiba-city 261-8502 JAPAN) or by the bureau. [JI6KVR]

23/09/2008: Stu, K4MIL, will be operating from GITMO (IOTA NA-015) as KG4SS from September 23rd through October 7th. He will be active on all HF bands, primarily RTTY with some SSB. QSL via K4MIL direct, by the bureau, or LoTW. [OPDX Bulletin]

23/09/2008: Chris, GM0TQJ will be active as VO2/GM0TQJ from Labrador during the period September 23rd to October 2nd. He will be QRV on 80-10 meter RTTY, PSK31/63 and SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

24/09/2008: Members of A.R.I. Torino and Wave Master Team, will be active September 24-28th from Giglio Island (IOTA EU-028, IIA GR-002, MIA MI-036, WLOTA LH-0564, WW Loc. JN52KI) as IA5IG. Team members include Giovanni/IK1WEG, Gerry/IZ1DSH, Giorgio/IZ1DXS, Davide/IW1DQS, Carlo/IZ1GCZ, Sergio/IW1FSQ, Marco/IS0KEB, Veronica/IZ1KFF and Moreno/IZ1MNE. Activity will be with 2 or 3 stations on 160 to 2 meters using CW, SSB and Digital modes. Operation will take place on following frequencies depending on propagation and QRM: SSB - 1842, 3755, 7065, 18128, 14260, 21260, 24950, 28460, 50160, 144310 kHz; CW - 1835, 3530, 7030, 10115, 14040, 18095, 21040, 24920, 28040, 50098 kHz; Digital RTTY(fsk) - 7039, 10141, 14085, 18102, 21085 kHz - PSK31 (Band Plan Region 1). They will be QRV from 3 locations: Giglio Castello (elevation 405m), Campese (at sea level) and a mobile station for activation of 5 Giglio Island castles (DCI references GR054, GR055, GR056, GR057 and GR058). The IA5IG team send all QSLs via the ARI bureau. Your QSL card is not necessary. If you want a direct QSL send SASE+postage to IZ1DSH (Gherardo Pannoli, Strada Tetti Gramaglia N.22, 10133 - Torino, ITALY). Further infomation at www.wavemasterteam.com/ [IW1DQS]

25/09/2008: From September 25th until October 4th a team of 6 hams Joerg/DL3NER, Walter/DG5NGJ, Thomas/DG5NGI, Ivo/DL9MB, Heiko/DG8NGI and Hubert/DK9NCX will be active from Montenegro as 4O/homecall. They plan to be QRV on 160-10m using SSB, CW, PSK31, and RTTY. Also activity on 6m and 2m is planned. Antennas: H2-Dipole (H2-rf-engineering.de), ECO-HF8B,

INV.-V, 5El./6M and 9EL./2M. The team is doing this DXpedition for the WWW.Stationregenbogen.de, for children who are ill with cancer. So let's try to make them smile. QSL cards will be sent out after the team returns home from Montenegro. You can make a donation for these children by money transfer (see DK9NCX on QRZ.com) or send your card with donation and SASE to DK9NCX direct. QSL other calls via their home call sign. [NG3K]

26/09/2008: Members of Radio Club Karlovac (9A1CVW) plan to activate Croatian islands and lighthouses located in the IOTA EU-170 group using the call sign 9A1C/p from September 26-28th. Islands planned for activation are: Arta Mala (ACIA-284, IOCA CI-003, MIA MC-007); Arta Vela (ACIA-285, IOCA CI-004, MIA MC-008); Artica Vela (ACIA-287, IOCA CI-294, MIA MC-009, WLOTA LH-0322); Radelj (ACIA-299, IOCA CI-097, MIA MC-331); Zminjak (ACIA-332, IOCA CI-153, MIA MC-477); Obun (ACIA-298, IOCA CI-244, MIA MC-273); Kozina (ACIA-291, IOCA CI-245, MIA MC-176); Maslinjak (ACIA-316, IOCA CI-256, MIA MC-233); Oblik (ACIA-296, IOCA CI-401, MIA MC-266); Obrovanj (ACIA-297, IOCA CI-402, MIA MC-271); Sipnata (ACIA-301, IOCA CI-403, MIA MC-372); Gubavci (IOCA CI-487, MIA MC-124); Prisnjak Mali (ACIA-938, IOCA CI-488, MIA MC-319); Vrtlic (ACIA-961, IOCA CI-651, MIA MC-582); Loncaric (ACIA-292, IOCA CI-652, MIA MC-583); Misine (ACIA-319, IOCA CI-655, MIA MC-586, WLOTA LH-1119); Prisnjak (not IOTA, ACIA-321, IOCA CI-374, WLOTA LH-1492); and Tegina (not IOTA, ACIA-327, IOCA CI-413). They will operate two stations at the same time, but only on 40 and 20 meter SSB. QSL via 9A1CVW. [9A6AA]

26/09/2008: Andrei, UA3ABR will be active as JT1CA from Mongolia between Septamber 26th and October 2nd. QSL via home call. [425 DX News]

26/09/2008: Dave, AH6HY will be active from the island of St. Kitts (NA-104) as V4/AH6HY between September 26 to October 3rd. Activity is planned for 40-10 meter SSB only. QSL via home call. [NG3K]

26/09/2008: Don/W4YCH (ZF2DF) and Jim/W4JO (ZF2JO) will participate in the CQ WW RTTY DX Contest (September 27-28th) as ZF2DF from the ZF1A club station on Grand Cayman (NA-016). Outside the contest (September 26th - October 1st) they will be using their own calls on SSB and CW. QSL all contacts via W4YCH. [425 DX News]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

27/09/2008: Operators Danny/E73M, Boris/E73Y, Edin/E74A and Kula/E74KC will be active from Bosnia-Herzegovina as E73M during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 27-28th), as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via E73Y or K2PF. [NG3K]

27/09/2008: Serge, UR5FEO will be active as ER0FEO from Parkany, Moldova, during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 27-28th), as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low Power entry. QSL via UU0JM. [NG3K]

27/09/2008: Andrei, NP3D will be active as EW1AR during his vacation in Minsk, Belarus, from September 22-29th, including an entry in the CQWW DX RTTY Contest. Before the contest he will be active on all HF bands, all modes, mainly RTTY. His contest activity will be In Memory of Valery Khorkov, EU1MM (SK). QSL via W3HNK, LOTW, or direct to NP3D. [NG3K]

27/09/2008: The special event station GB2STI (Steam Trains Ireland) will be operating 'Railways On The Air' the weekend commencing Saturday 27th September, from the excursion platform of the Railway Preservation

society of Ireland, Whitehead, County Antrim. They intend to operate 80/40/20m and will also have a 2m multimode station on air. The station will be operated by members and friends of the Antrim & District Amateur Radio Society as part of the celebrations of the first steam passenger train to operate in the British isles. A special QSL cxard is available for all contacts made during the event via the QSL manager GI0KPF. Details on QRZ.com. [Southgate ARC]

27/09/2008: Special event station VE3MIS will be active September 27th from the Halton County Radial Railway Museum. QRV 14.250 and 7.210 MHz SSB. For certificate send QSL request and 2 USD with return envelope to Michael Brickell VE3TKI, 2801 Bucklepost Crescent, Mississauga, Ontario, L5N1X6, Canada. Please note we can not use US postage stamps in Canada. Rain date September 28th. Further information can be found at www.marc.on.ca/ [MARC]

27/09/2008: The Ozark Mountain Amateur Radio Club, W0OMD will set up a portable HF station on Edge Island (not IOTA, USi MO-014, Cedar County), Stockton Lake, Missouri, on September 27th and will try to make a set number of contacts to qualify the island. Operators mentioned are Mike/KC5MNP and James/KC0TQD. QSL via W0OMD, callbook address. Website at www.w0omd.org/ [USi]

01/10/2008: From October 1st through to November 30th all Radio Amateurs in Canada are welcome to use the following Special Event Prefixes. The prefix commemorates the founding of the Crown Colony of British Columbia in 1858. For radio amateurs in Canada: VE use CK; VA use CJ; VO use CY; and VY use CZ. Example - VE7DAO would become CK7DAO and VA7DAO would become CJ7DAO. Visit their web site at: www.hambc150.info/ for additional details. During this special prefix period Radio Amateurs in Canada are encouraged to use the new call sign. In the future this website will privide the ability to post your contacts and logs. Non-hams may join as well and enter into contests for prizes provided by their sponsors. In cooperation with BCARCC and Ham Radio clubs in BC this website is looking to provide generic QSL cards that interested amateurs can order for their own use for contacts made during the October / November prefix period. Stay tuned for further information on this. [RAC]

03/10/2008: Special event station VC2ARAM willl bea aired between October 3rd and November 3rd to celebrate the 85th Anniversary of the Association of Amateur Radio Operators in Mauricie, Quebec. QSL via VE2MO (Joseph Andre Levasseur, 7405 Rue Desbostonnais, Trois Rivieres, QC G9A 5C9) (Association Radio Amateur de la Mauricie Inc., A/S Andre Levasseur, 7405 CH. Se-Marguerite, Trois-Rivieres Oeust, QC G9A 5C9). [RAC]

20/10/2008: The team for the IOTA expedition to PNG includes Al/AD6E, Luis/CT1AGF, Derek/G3KHZ, Hugh/K6HFA and Skip/W5GAI, plus one non-ham traveller. They expect to be QRV as P29VLR (QSL via SM6CVX) from Garove Island, Witu Islands (OC-181), from October 20-26th. The MV Barbarian II will then sail to Akib Island, Hermit Islands (OC-041) where they will be QRV as P29NI (QSL via G3KHZ) from October 28th to November 3rd. The final leg will be to Manus Island (OC-025), from where there may be some operation before the team flies home. Hugh, K6HFA will be making a longer trip and will stop in Tonga (A3, OC-049) from 23 September 23rd to October 11th. From October 12-18th Hugh will operate from OC-008 (P2, Bismarck Archipelago) and from November 4-9th he will be QRV from Manus

Island (P2, OC-025). Hugh's call signs are still pending. Suggested frequencies are: SSB - 28.560, 24.950, 21.260, 18.128, 7.055 and 3.755 MHz; CW - 28.040, 24.920, 21.040, 18.098, 14.040, 10.115 and 3.530 MHz. Further information at www.425dxn.org/dxped/p29_2008/ [425 DX News]

21/10/2008: Look for special call OT7G to be active October 21st for National Mills Award Day from the Stampkot Mill (reference WIM 8073), Ville Kaster-Anzegem (CP 8572), between 0600-1000 UTC. QRV 80, 40 and 2 meter SSB. QSL via ON4MRX, bureau preferred. [F5NQL]

23/10/2008: Fukuda T88FY (JK2VOC) and Nose T88AC (JA2BNN) will be active from the Palau rental shack, Koror Island (OC-009, WW Loc. PJ77FI), Palau, from October 23-28th, including a Single-Op/All-Band entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th). Outside the contest look for them to be QRV on 80-6 meters. QSL via home calls. [NG3K]

30/10/2008: As guests of the Royal Omani ARS (ROARS), the Lufthansa Amateur RC (LARC), along with he Norden District of the DARC (DOK I09) will be active October 30th until November 11th using the following call signs: A43DLH operating from the ROARS HQ; and A43DLH/p operating from the Omani Scout camp, city of Muscate (WW Loc. LL93FO). QRV 160m and up on as many bands as possible, 24 hours per day, using CW, SSB and digital modes including SSTV. QSL via DK7PE. [F5NQL]

01/11/2008: YW1TI will be the new IOTA activation by the 4M5DX Group, that will take place in early November, 2008. The team of Alex/YV5SSB, Manuel/YY4MP, Rafael/YY4RN, Franco/YV1FM, Rainer/YV5EU, Olli/OH0XX, Jes?s/YV5MSG, Jos? M./YV5TX and Andreina/YY4AND will activate Toas Island (IOTA SA-066, DIV-079 for the Venezuela Islands Award, WW Loc. FK40EW). QRV 160-6 meter CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are: CW - 1.830, 3.530, 7.025, 10.115, 14.040, 18.098, 21.040, 24.920, 28.040, 50.110 MHz; SSB - 1.845, 3.755/3.790, 7.055, 14.260/14.195, 18.128/18.145, 21.260/21.295, 24.950, 28.560/28.460/28.495, 50.110 MHz; RTTY - 7.040, 10.140, 14.090, 18.100, 21.080, 24.920, 28.090, 50.110 MHz. QSL via IT9DAA, direct or bureau. Further information can be found at yw1ti.4m5dx.info/ [IT9DAA]

26/11/2008: Look for Bud, AA3B to be active as V26K from the island of Antigua (NA-100, WLOTA LH-1118) between November 26th and December 1st, including a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 29-30th). QSL via home call. [NG3K]

29/11/2008: Look for Tibor, HA7TM to be QRV as T88CJ from Koror (OC-009), Palau, during the CQWW CW DX Contest (November 29-30th), as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via home call. [NG3K]

01/12/2008: An official amateur call sign is assigned to Princess Elizabeth base (WAP BEL-01, IOTA AN-016), OP0LE and one more good news an amateur radio operator will be operating from that base from December 2008 until March 2009. That guy is a new comer and never operated on amateur radio frequencies, your understanding is more than necessary. After 40 years of silence, Belgium is back on air from Antarctica. [F5PFO]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

19/09/2008: Members of the Puerto Rico Amateur Radio Society will activate a special event station NP3FM during Puerto Rico's "Free Mason Week". Operation will take place between 1300z, September 19th through

0100z, September 20th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and PSK31 on 20 meters. QSL via KP4ARS. [OPDX Bulletin]

20/09/2008: The Former operators of the Saint Lys Radio, the Famous FFL, will organize a Heritage day around the souvenirs of the Station, located at Site of G?nibrat, on September 20th and 21st. The program includes open doors, exhibitions, Radio program and traffic both on old St. Lys frequencies and Ham bands. QRV 160 to 10m (CW, SSB and PSK31), using the special call sign TM2FFL. QRV on Old Saint Lys bands: (FUQW USB IUT marine bands) Band 804: 8728 - 8204 kHz and Band 1224: 13146 - 12299 kHz. Traffic by the Saint Lys Former Operators and ops of MONACO RADIO same bands. One of the main goals is to protect the only on antenna still settled on the site: CARRE GOURIAUD (omni 4 MHz). QSL via operator's instructions. [F5NQL]

20/09/2008: COTA (Carabinieri On The Air, www.cota.cc/) station IQ6CC will be active September 20-21st for the 4th COTA Radio Meeting to be held at Castelfidardo (Ancona). QSL via IW6DSM. [425 DX News]

20/09/2008: Martin, PA2RUS and other operators will be active as PA66AW from about 1000 UTC September 20th until about 1000 UTC on the 21st. This special call sign's suffix stands for Atlantic Wall, the system of coastal fortifications built by the German Third Reich in 1942-44 along the western coast of Europe to defend against an anticipated invasion of the continent from Great Britain. Expect activity on 80, 40, 20 and 2 meter SSB. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. Detailed information can be found at: www.pa66aw.nl/ [425 DX News]

20/09/2008: On September 20th, GB0RBP will be on the air for Robert Baden Powel. GB0KES for King Edmund School will be on the air from Rochford in Essex. QSL via the RSGB bureau. [GB2RS]

20/09/2008: On September 20th GB2BWF for the Blind Wireless Fund from Oldbury in the West Midlands. QSL via MW0CNA, bureau preferred. [GB2RS]

20/09/2008: Members of the Bittern DX Group will be once again operating GB2TX raising awareness and funds for the British Wireless for the Blind Fund over "Transmission 2008" weekend (20th - 21st September) at EMCY Garden Centre, Holt in Norfolk. Last year GB2TX scooped both club Transmission trophies for most contacts of 1165 QSOs and most funds raised of ?1750, which was a staggering 31% of the National total raised by the event. Please help us to help others by giving us a call and if you feel so inclined, we can also accept donations online, remember every pound helps. They will be QRV most bands from 160m - 70cm, mostly SSB, FM and some CW. Please Help Us with our BWBF Appeal Online: www.bmycharity.com/bdxg [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

20/09/2008: GB90VK will be aired September 20-21st for the 90th anniversary of the first direct G to VK telegram. Also look for GB0VK to be QRV September 20th from North Wales. [GB2RS]

20/09/2008: On 20 to 21 September, South Tyneside Amateur Radio Society will be in Keilder Forest as part of the British Wireless for the Blind fundraising weekend with the callsign GX0WKQ/P. The more contacts they make, the more money they get for the BWFBF so please listen out for them. All QSLs via bureau please. [GB2RS]

21/09/2008: September 21st sees GB0WUK on the air from Durham, GB2QRP from HogCom in Stevenage (Details on QRZ.COM) (www.hogcon.com/) and GB4HGR for narrow Guage Railway. [GB2RS]

23/09/2008: IQ2IR (QSL via IZ2ELV) plus special call signs II2UCI (QSL via IZ2DVI) and II2BIN (QSL via IW2KVT) will be aired September 23-28th for the Union Cycliste Internationale's Road World Championships that will take place in Varese (www.varese2008.org/). Expect activity on 160, 80, 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 meter SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31. Complete information on the relevant award can be found at www.insubriaradio.org/ (proceeds will be donated entirely to charity). [425 DX News]

24/09/2008: Two special event stations will be aired September 24th to celebrate Heritage Day operating on SSB and CW on 20m, 40m and maybe 80m from South Africa. The Sasolburg Radio Club station ZS4SRK will be operating from an old historic Anglo Boer War blockhouse on this day. Special event staion ZS08TV might also be operating on this day from the old meat plant which now houses the club house of the Vaal Amateur Radio club. We have heard from the the powers that be that confirmation of our special event call sign ZS08TV is on the way. ZS4SRK will be on 20m and 40m, maybe 80m SSB, while ZS08VT will be on 20m, 40m SSB and on CW on 20m around 14115 and on 40m, maybe 80m SSB. QSL ZS4SRK via the bureau. QSL ZS08TV via operator's instructions. [VE5RC/VE5QRP]

24/09/2008: Special call sign TC470PDZ will be aired September 24-30th to commemorate the 470th anniversary of the naval battle of Preveza, fought on 28 September 1538, between the Ottoman fleet and that of a "Holy League" assembled by the Pope. Expect main activity on 20 and 40 meters. QSL via via TA1HZ (P.O.B. 73 Karakoy, 34421 Istanbul TURKIYE). [425 DX News]

25/09/2008: Celebrating the last flag-lowering ceremony that will take place on September 30th, special event station II1ADV will be active from the Italian Navy frigate "Carabiniere" September 25-30th. Expect SSB, CW and PSK activity from 0800 to 1700 UTC. QSL via I1SAF, bureau preferred. Information on the relevant award can be found at www.assoradiomarinai.tk/ [425 DX News]

U.S.A. Special event station information can be found at:
www.arrl.org/contests/spev.html
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SIX METERS & UP -

18/09-27/09 5R8EM: Ile Sainte Marie 2M EME CW/JT65 Grid:LH42WX QSL F1BCS (d/b)
18/09-27/09 5R8GM: Ile Sainte Marie 6M SSB Grid:LH42WX QSL F1BCS (d/b)
18/09-27/09 5R8IM: Ile Sainte Marie 6M Digital modes Grid:LH42WX QSL F1BCS (d/b)
18/09-27/09 5R8JM: Ile Sainte Marie 6M CW Grid:LH42WX QSL F1BCS (d/b)
23/09-29/09 VP5/K2WB: Providenciales 6M Grid:FL31VS 100W M2-7el @ 10m QSL HC (d/b)
23/09-29/09 VP5/N2VW: Providenciales 6M Grid:FL31VS 100W M2-7el @ 10m QSL HC (d/b)
23/09-29/09 VP5/W2WAS: Providenciales 6M Grid:FL31VS 100W M2-7el @ 10m QSL HC (d/b)
23/09-29/09 VP5/WA2VYA: Providenciales 6M Grid:FL31VS 100W M2-7el @ 10m QSL HC (d/b)
24/09-28/09 IA5IG: Giglio Isl. EU-028 6M Grid:JN52KI 50.098CW, 50.160USB QSL IZ1DSH (d/b)

25/09-04/10 40/DG5NGI: Montenegro 6M 100W 5el 100W, 2M 100W 9el yagi
QSL HC (d/b)
25/09-04/10 40/DG5NGJ: Montenegro 6M 100W 5el 100W, 2M 100W 9el yagi
QSL HC (d/b)
25/09-04/10 40/DG8NGI: Montenegro 6M 100W 5el 100W, 2M 100W 9el yagi
QSL HC (d/b)
25/09-04/10 40/DK9NCX: Montenegro 6M 100W 5el 100W, 2M 100W 9el yagi
QSL HC (d/b)
25/09-04/10 40/DL3NER: Montenegro 6M 100W 5el 100W, 2M 100W 9el yagi
QSL HC (d/b)
25/09-04/10 40/DL9MB: Montenegro 6M 100W 5el 100W, 2M 100W 9el yagi QSL
HC (d/b)

GOT6??? - 6M Information by Andy, N8OFS (Updated September 16, 2008) at:
www.noars.net/got6/GOT6.txt
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LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

18/09-29/09 OJ0B: Market Reef WLH:OH0-001, WLOL:MAR-001, WLOTA:0542,
Admiralty C4472 QSL OH2BH (d/b)
19/09-24/09 9H3F: Malta Island WLOTA:1113 QSL JK1FNL (d/b)
19/09-26/09 JW8BCA: Spitsbergen Island WLOTA:0125 QSL LA8BCA (d/b)
19/09-26/09 JW7WCA: Spitsbergen Island WLOTA:0125 QSL LA7WCA (d/b)
19/09-26/09 JW/LB9UE: Spitsbergen Island WLOTA:0125 QSL HC (d/b)
19/09-20/09 NP3FM: Puerto Rico Island WLOTA:2802 QSL KP4ARS (d)
20/09-25/09 5R-TBA: Nosy Boraha (Ile Sainte Marie) WLOTA:0491 QSL TBA
20/09-21/09 OH0Z: Aaland (Main Island) WLOTA:1373 QSL W0MM (d/b)
21/09-28/2/09 FM/F5IRO: Martinique Island WLOTA:1041 QSL HC (d/b)
24/09-28/09 IA5IG: Isola del Giglio WLOTA:0564 QSL IZ1DSH (d/b)
24/09 YE2IPY: Java (Jawa) Island WLOTA:1660 QSL YB2TJV
26/09-01/10 ZF2DF: Grand Cayman Island WLOTA:1042 QSL W4YCH (d/b)
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QSL INFO -

QSLs received Bureau - None to report :o(

QSLs received Direct - 5N9NDP (via IK5JAN), 5X1NH (via G3RWF), 9M6/LA6VM
(via LA6VM), CY?X (via VE3IKV), HQ8R [NA-035], TM5EL [EU-107] (via
F5RAB), TX5C (via N7CQQ), VU2PAI.

QSLs received LoTW - 1A3A, 1A4A, 5X1NH.
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SILENT KEYS -

Kenth Johansson, SM6DYK a wellknown DXer and QSL manager passed away at
the age of 62 years on August 26, 2008.
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BITS & PIECES -

* 3B7FQ Planned in October '08 *
Rachid, 3B8FQ, is planning to activate St. Brandon Island as 3B7FQ, in
October. The dates of the operation have not been determined. As in
April, when Rachid operated 3B6FQ from Agalega Is., this will be a
working trip, with on-air activities shared with meteorological
maintenance duties. Rachid's 3B6FQ operation netted almost 500 QSO's
from Agalega.

More specific details will be disseminated closer to the departure date.
QSL all of Rachid's operations via K5XK. Ron reports that he has moved

to a new QTH, delaying some QSL replies for 3B8FQ & 3B6FQ. Cards for both operations are printed and replies to all direct requests will be mailed within the next week. Bureau requests that have been received will go out in October.

K5XK is also the QSL manager for the current 5Z4/RW1AU operation. See www.qrz.com/k5xk <http://www.qrz.com/k5xk> for detailed QSL information. [K5XK]

An official amateur call sign is assigned to Princess Elizabeth base, OP0LE and one more good news an amateur radio operator will be operating from that base from December 2008 until March 2009.
That guy is a new comer and never operated on amateur radio frequencies, your understanding is more than necessary. After 40 years of silence, Belgium is back on air from Antarctica. [F5PFO]

Russia to go for CEPT Novice
It looks as though the Russian Federation may join the CEPT Amateur Radio Novice reciprocal agreement as well as CEPT Class 1.

The CEPT Novice is the equivalent of UK Intermediate and many European nations have signed up to it allowing their licence holders to operate Amateur Radio when visiting signatory countries. CEPT Class 1 is equivalent to UK Advance.

The Soyuz Radiolyubiteley Rossii (SRR) website says:

Commission decided to recommend GKRCH adhere to the recommendations of the Committee on electronic communications ESA / REC (05) 06 "Amateur license SEPT newcomer (NOVICE), T / R 61-01" License ham countries - members of CEPT ", T / R 61-02 "Harmonized certificate SEPT radio at work" and to inform the European Bureau of the intention of the Administration of Radio Communications of the Russian Federation to implement the provisions of these recommendations.

Rossvyazkomnadzoru tasked together with the RAF to prepare and submit to the draft amateur service Rules to GKRCH by 01 November 2008.
Recommended Minkomsvyazi Russia to finalize the instructions on the preparation of radio and radio qualification in the Russian Federation and the Union of Russia radio use of the ERC Report 32 (Amateur examination program for the novice (NOVICE) and radio examination certificate newcomer (NOVICE)) in the preparation of proposals for guidelines in amateur communications.

SFA News Page (Google Translation) tinyurl.com/6ery4d

CEPT licensing for Russia on the cards
www.southgatearc.org/news/sep..._licensing.htm

CEPT Novice Radio Amateur Licence ECC REC (05) 06
www.erodocdb.dk/Docs/doc98/of...df/REC0506.PDF [QRZ.com]

WORLD WIDE DX-PEDITION TROPHY
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As you probably know, we have made a survey on website for the WWDXT 2008.

We have received several replies concerning 48 different DXpedition that have been considered interesting by our readers.

Among those 48 different expeditions 16 have received much more positive comments and we will ask you to vote between them.

You still have 15 days to vote your Best DX pedition!
http://www.strangeradioteam.com/wwdxt/index.asp
VOTE NOW! [IZ7AUH]
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Dave Raycroft, VA3RJ
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Join ICPO e-Group: http://webhome.idirect.com/~va3rj/icpo_mail.html
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Canadian Checkpoint For:
All Croatian Islands Award - ACIA
All Croatian Islands Award Group - ACIAG
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